

BODY OF LOOTER SLAIN BY SOLDIER FALLS INTO FLOOD

Floats Down Stream, but Is
Recovered and Thief Is
Identified.

READY TO BURY DEAD.

Fear Now Is From Pestilence
That May Come From Un-
sanitary Conditions.

COLUMBUS, O., March 29.—The first authentic case of the summary execution of a ghoul caught robbing the bodies wrecked by the floods on the West side was reported today by the captain of the Marysville Military Company. One of the members of his organization shot a man dead in the early dawn.

The victim of the soldier's bullet was laden with loot he had stolen. When the soldier ran to the spot where the thief had fallen he found that the body had fallen into the flood and was being swept away by the current. The body was removed later and identified as that of Edward McKinley, a white man.

There are sixty-one bodies in the local morgues. Twenty-three of them have not been identified. The estimate of 100 here in Columbus still stands.

Here in Columbus the business section of the city escaped the flood, which was most destructive in the residential quarter across the Scioto River from the main part of town. The biggest problem confronting the authorities arises from the unsanitary conditions created by the flood.

Gov. Cox has taken an active interest in this phase of the situation not only in Columbus but throughout the State.

Plans are being made for the most rigid sort of sanitary supervision in the flood-stricken district.

BURIAL OF DEAD BEGINS IN COLUMBUS TOMORROW.

Although the waters have not entirely receded, the flood is a matter of past history in Columbus. In parts of the city to which the waters did not penetrate business is going on as though nothing had happened. There will be many funerals to-morrow and on succeeding days, and with the dead out of the way the sound of the hammer and saw will take the place of the moans and orders in the ranks of the searchers among the ruins.

HOW MANY LIVED AND SEVEN DIED IN FLOOD.

How four lived and seven died when the flood swept a double house on Rogers avenue from its foundations, was told today by Stella Wray, a girl, just found by rescuers.

"It was about noon," she said. "I was in a bedroom with my mother, Mrs. Thomas Wray. The flood heaved the house off its foundations. I grabbed hold of a bed, and my mother hung onto a door as the house tilted over and floated away."

"Then we heard cries—'Catch hold! Catch hold!' We worked our way to the window. We had floated close to the house of Mrs. Elizabeth McEltrick on Cable street. Mrs. McEltrick threw out a sheet. I caught it, and she pulled me through the water to her house. Then Mrs. James Griffin, who lived in the other side of our house, was hauled over."

"Before my mother or anybody else could be saved, our house floated on. My father and Mr. Griffin were saved when the house went to pieces, but my mother and all the rest of them haven't been found. There were eleven in the house."

One of the bodies found today, that of a twelve-year-old boy, has a bell tied about his neck by a string. A cannibal, too, lying dead next to him, wears a red sweater pulled up about his ears as if to shield him from the cold.

Six more bodies were discovered in the west side flood district this afternoon, raising the total number of corpses found to sixty-seven, nearly half of whom were identified. A mother and infant were found clamped to death, the baby's hands clinging to the mother's hair. Nearby was the body of a man, supposed to be the husband and father. At a short distance was discovered the body of a little girl.

GARRISON SENDS ENCOURAGING REPORT ON FLOOD TO WILSON.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Secretary of War Garrison's first report on flood conditions was received by President Wilson this afternoon. It was sent from Cincinnati and read:

"We have got in communication with Major Normandy and Major Logan, and find they have the situation well in hand. The flood is receding in all small rivers, but the Ohio is getting the effect now and is rising at Cincinnati, where it is now sixty-five feet deep. Thus threatening the towns below here. At day, Cox's report Gen. Wood and I are going to Dayton. We will then get in communication with Gov. Cox and situation at Columbus and I will wire you fully from Dayton. You need have no anxiety about shelter of flood sufferers north of us or in Cincinnati, as there is more than ample building for their shelter and more than ample food on the ground. We understand this also applies to Dayton and Columbus."

"The first reports concerning loss of life were greatly exaggerated, as I think are also the reports of extreme present suffering, except where persons are isolated from food and dry shelter. I think it is perfectly safe for you to announce to the country that matters are being well taken care of by those on the ground and that everything which needs to be done will be done."

LATEST PICTURES OF FLOOD'S HAVOC IN DAYTON AND COLUMBUS



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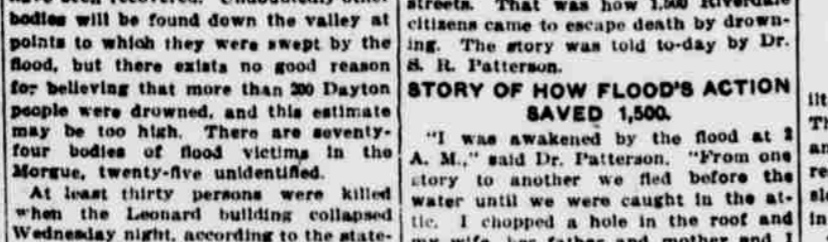
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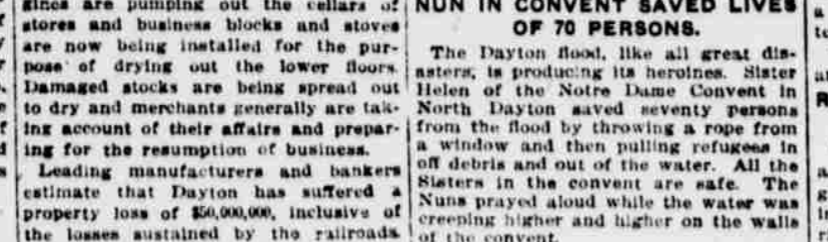
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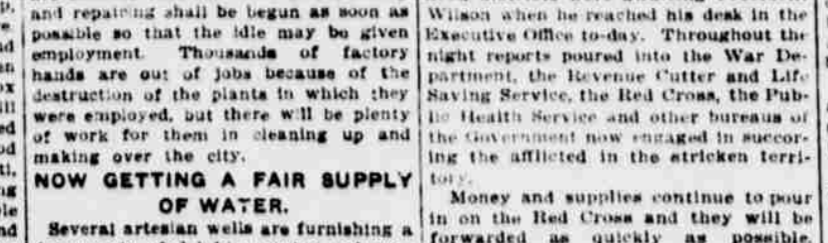
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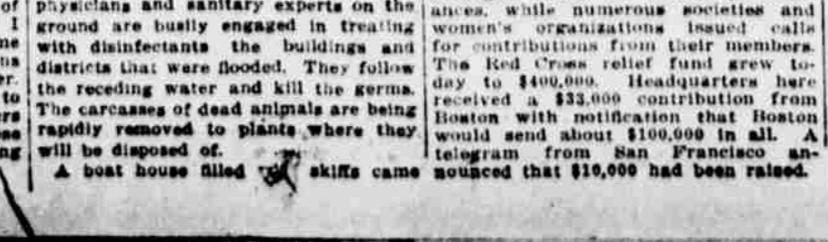
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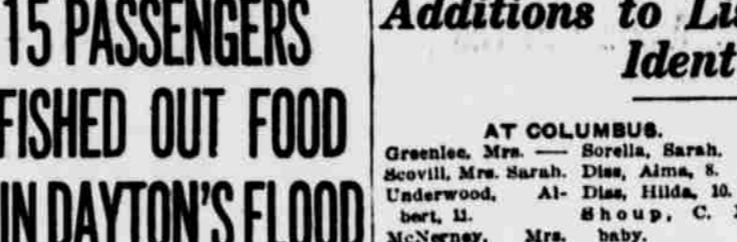
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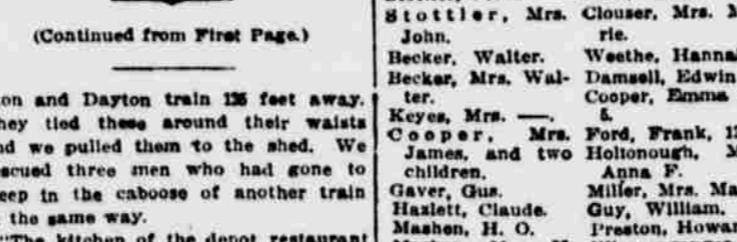
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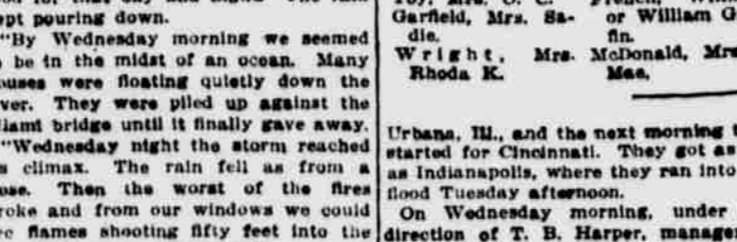
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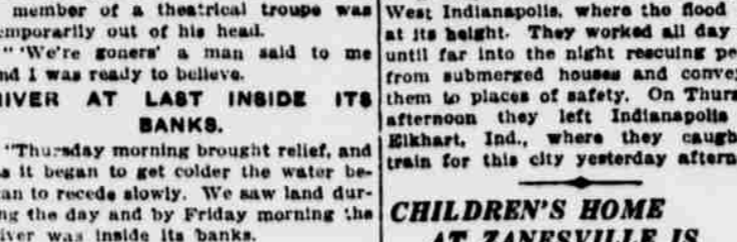
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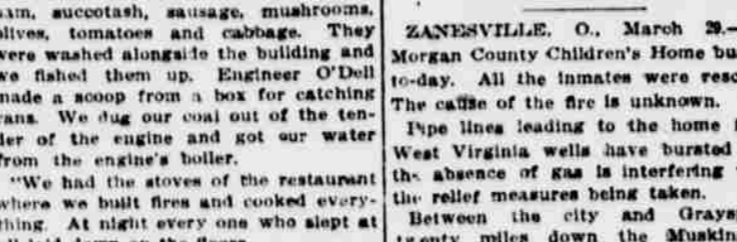
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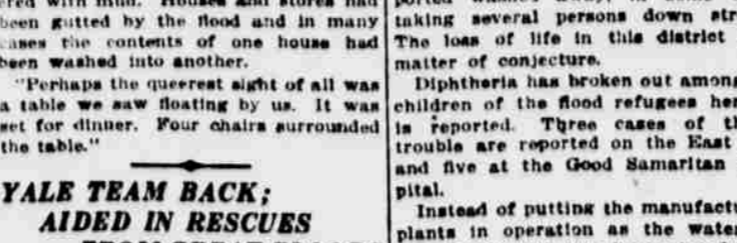
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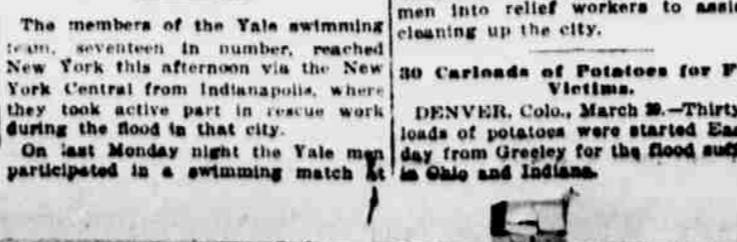
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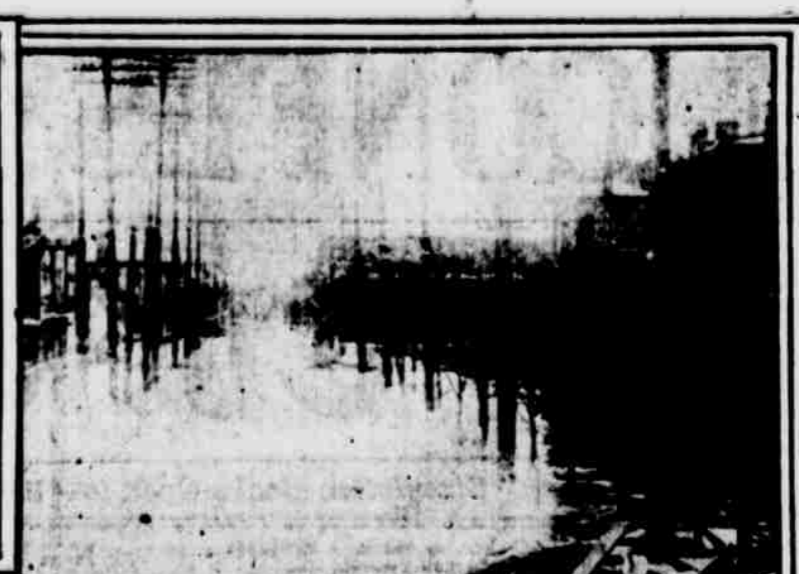
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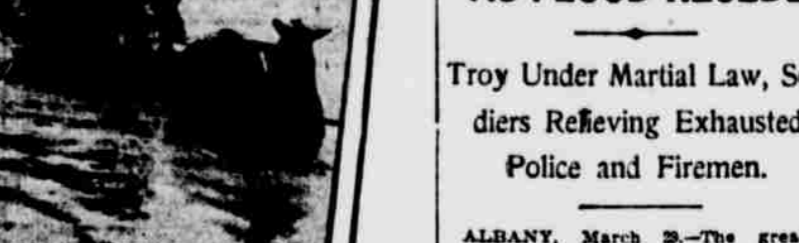
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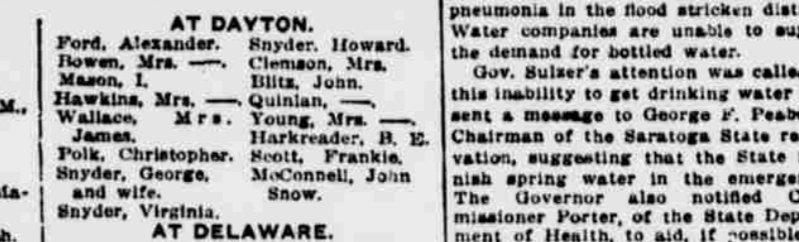
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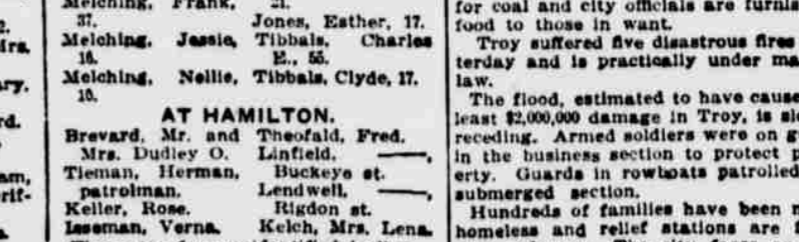
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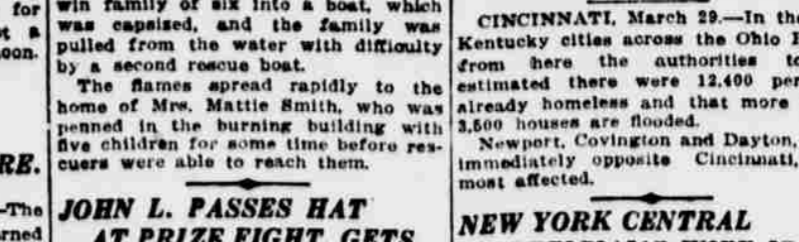
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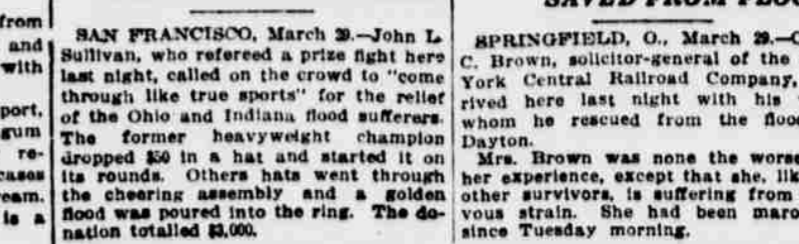
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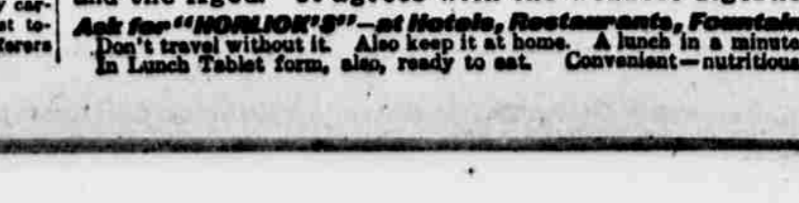
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TRAINS FROM WEST AND UP STATE ARE STILL IN TANGLE

Pennsylvania Partially Para-
lyzed, but Fairly Clear
Far as Pittsburgh.

Though tremendous efforts have been spent by all the railroads running into New York from the Western flood zone and through the more recently inundated districts up State to repair the damage done to their lines by the waters, partial paralysis of train service from Chicago and Ohio points continued today and the New York State troops were not all straightened out.

The section of the Hudson Division tracks on the New York Central between Haverhill and Castleton, south of Albany, which was flooded yesterday for eight miles by the rise of the Hudson River, was still out of commission today and all trains, both through and local, above Albany were being shunted over the Harlem Division from Albany by way of Chatham on the Boston and Albany.

The Mohawk Division breaks between Albany and Syracuse were repaired yesterday, the work being made comparatively simple because none of the bridges had gone out.

All trains north of Albany were arriving at the Grand Central Station from two to three hours late because of the congestion in traffic due to the necessity of switching to the Boston and Albany. Through trains from Chicago, Cleveland and Western points were, in some instances, later than that, the necessity of seeking roundabout routes through the flood districts being responsible for the delays.

The Montreal Express was again "bumped" because of washouts on the Boston and Maine and the Central Railroad of Vermont above Greenfield, Mass. The Buffalo Express arrived at 10 o'clock, little less than three hours late.

The New York Central officials announced that this afternoon they would send out Pullmans for all Big Four connections, including Columbus and Dayton. O. These cars might be subject to delay, the company's officials admitted, but they would surely reach their destinations in the flood district.

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DAYTON COUNTS HER DEAD; GETTING PLENTY OF FOOD

Now Plans for Rebuilding--Late Stories Tell
How 1,500 Were Saved by a Freak of the
Flood--Nun Rescued 70.

DAYTON, O., March 29.—Reports made to the military authorities in charge of the city this afternoon indicate that about all the bodies left within the limits of Dayton by the flood have been recovered. Undoubtedly other bodies will be found down the valley at points to which they were swept by the flood, but there exists no good reason for believing that more than 200 Dayton people were drowned, and this estimate may be too high. There are seventy-four bodies of flood victims in the morgue, twenty-five unidentified.

At least thirty persons were killed when the Leonard building collapsed Wednesday night, according to the statement of Detective Kincaid today. Kincaid was marooned by the flood in the City Hall just across Main street from the Leonard building. He saw twenty people, he says, enter a saloon which occupied one-third of the ground space of the Leonard building. None got hurt. Other people had entered other stores in the building and some were on the upper floors.

Except in low spots that have not been artificially drained the waters of the flood have left Dayton. Fire engines are pumping out the cellars of stores and business blocks and stoves are now being installed for the purpose of drying out the lower floors.

Damaged stock is being spread out to dry and merchants generally are taking account of their affairs and preparing for the resumption of business. Leading manufacturers and bankers estimate that Dayton has suffered a property loss of \$50,000,000, inclusive of the losses sustained by the railroads. Other observers are disposed to cut this estimate in two.

There is plenty of food in Dayton and the government has furnished a sufficiency of tents to shelter those who cannot be otherwise cared for. Local bankers have received assurances from New York and Chicago that ample capital will be furnished for rebuilding and repairing operations and for the rehabilitation of manufacturing plants ruined by the flood.

It is believed that within a week Dayton will be one of the liveliest cities in the United States. The authorities are anxious that the work of rebuilding and repairing shall be begun as soon as possible so that the tide may be given employment. Thousands of factory hands are out of jobs because of the destruction of the plants in which they were employed, but there will be plenty of work for them in cleaning up and making over the city.

Now Getting a Fair Supply of Water.

Several artesian wells are furnishing a fair supply of drinking water and pure water is coming in from outside. The physicians and sanitary experts on the ground are busily engaged in treating with disinfectants the buildings and districts that were flooded. They follow the receding water and kill the germs. The carcasses of dead animals are being rapidly removed to plants where they will be disposed of.

A boat house filled with skiffs came

15 PASSENGERS FISHED OUT FOOD IN DAYTON'S FLOOD

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lton and Dayton train 125 feet away.

They tied these around their waists and we pulled them to the shed. We rescued three men who had gone to sleep in the caboose of another train in the same way.

"The kitchen of the depot restaurant was on the second floor and we had food for that day and night. The rain kept pouring down.

"By Wednesday morning we seemed to be in the midst of an ocean. Many houses were floating quietly down the river. They were piled up against the Miami bridge until it finally gave away.

"Wednesday night the storm reached its climax. The rain fell as from a hose. Then the worst of the fires broke and from our windows we could see flames shooting fifty feet into the air. Both men and women knelt on the floors and prayed unceasingly. One man, a member of a theatrical troupe was temporarily out of his head.

"We're goners," a man said to me and I was ready to believe.

RIVER AT LAST INSIDE ITS BANKS.

"Thursday morning brought relief, and as it began to get colder the water began to recede slowly. We saw land during the day and by Friday morning the river was inside its banks.

"Our food came from the debris which floated on the water. We had apples, ham, succotash, sausage, mushrooms, olives, tomatoes and cabbage. They were washed alongside the building and we fished them up. Engineer O'Dell made a scoop from a box for catching cans. We dug our coal out of the tender of the engine and got our water from the engine's boiler.

"We had the stoves of the restaurant where we built fires and cooked everything. At night every one who slept at all laid down on the floors.

"Friday when I left Dayton was covered with mud. Houses and stores had been gutted by the flood and in many cases the contents of one house had been washed into another.

"Perhaps the queerest sight of all was a table we saw floating by us. It was set for dinner. Four chairs surrounded the table."

YALE TEAM BACK;

AIDED IN RESCUES

FROM GREAT FLOODS

The members of the Yale swimming team, seventeen in number, reached New York this afternoon via the New York Central from Indianapolis, where they took active part in rescue work during the flood in that city.

On last Monday night the Yale men participated in a swimming match at

Additions to List of Dead Identified in Ohio Cities

AT COLUMBUS.
Greenlee, Mrs. — Sorella, Sarah.
Scovill, Mrs. Sarah. — Dias, Alma, 8.
Underwood, Al. — Dias, Hilda, 10.
bert, L. — Shoup, C. M.
McNerny, Mrs. — baby.
Della. — Houston, C. H.
Stottler, John. — Gore, Albert.
Stottler, Mrs. — Clouser, Mrs. Ma.
John. — Weathe, Hannah.
Becker, Walter. — Damsell, Edwin D.
Hecker, Mrs. Walter. — Cooper, Emma L.
Keyes, Mrs. — 5.
Cooper, — Ford, Frank, 12.
James, and two Holtonough, Mrs.
children. — Anna F.
Gaver, Gus. — Miller, Mrs. Mary.
Hasslet, Claude. — Guy, William.
Maehen, H. O. — Preston, Howard.
Maehen, Mrs. H. — Wisniewanger, O.
Toy, Mrs. O. C. — French, William.
Garfield, Mrs. S. — or William Grif-
fin. —
Wright, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Ma.
Rhoda K. —

Urbana, Ill., and the next morning they started for Cincinnati. They got as far as Indianapolis, where they ran into the flood Tuesday afternoon.

On Wednesday morning, under the direction of T. B. Harper, manager of the team, the college athletes got hold of a couple of big boats and went to West Indianapolis, where the flood was at its height. They worked all day and until far into the night rescuing people from submerged houses and conveying them to places of safety. On Thursday afternoon they left Indianapolis for Elkhart, Ind., where they caught a train for this city yesterday afternoon.

CHILDREN'S HOME AT ZANESVILLE IS DESTROYED BY FIRE.

ZANESVILLE, O., March 29.—The Morgan County Children's Home burned today. All the inmates were rescued. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Line leads to the home from West Virginia wells have burst and the absence of gas is interfering with the relief measures being taken.

Between the city and Graysport, twenty miles down the